



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Tadaoki TAKII et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1743**

Serial No.: **09/875,184**

Examiner: **Brian R. GORDON**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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June 2, 2004

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.